

Registration

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As you plan, please keep in mind that we recommend attending all the sessions in a series. If your loss was very recent, you may need time before attending such a group. We encourage you to call to discuss this if you are uncertain.

God comforts us in all our troubles so that we, in turn, may comfort others.

II Corinthians 1:4

Our faith can play an important role following the death of a loved one. Being with others who share the experience of losing someone close to them also helps ease the feelings of loneliness.



Westside Catholic Bereavement Ministry Series 2017-2018

For Those Seeking
Bereavement Support
in a
Spiritual Setting



Sponsored by the parishes of:

Blessed Sacrament
Good Shepherd
(St. James & St. Joseph sites)
Our Lady Queen of Peace
St. Bernard, Middleton
St. Christopher, Verona
St. Maria Goretti
St. Thomas Aquinas
St. Francis Xavier

Come, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

The Westside Catholic parishes sponsor Bereavement Ministry at various times throughout the year for anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one.

Varying in length and in topics covered, each series offers a supportive and faith-filled setting in which to learn about the grief process and to share your experience of grief with others. The facilitators of this peer ministry are parish staff and/or trained parish members who have also experienced the pain of the loss of a loved one.

If you are feeling the loneliness of grief, we invite you to consider participating in any of these opportunities. This overview offers you a picture of what will be available through the next 12 months, so that whenever you feel ready, you can take a new step on your journey to renewed hope.

Area Parish Bereavement Ministry Series 2017 – 2018

Sept 11 – Oct 16, 2017

*Monday evenings (6)
6:30 – 8:00 PM*

Our Lady Queen of Peace

Sept 20 – Oct 18, 2017

*Wednesday evenings (5)
7:00 – 8:30 PM*

St. Maria Goretti

Nov 1 – Nov 15, 2017

*Wednesday mornings (3)
9:00 – 11:00 AM*

St. Bernard, Middleton

Nov 20, 2017 – Jan 15, 2018

*Monday evenings (6)
6:30 – 8:00 PM*

St. Thomas Aquinas

Jan 6 – Feb 2, 2018

*Saturday mornings (6)
9:00 – 10:30 AM*

Our Lady Queen of Peace

Feb 17 – March 24, 2018

*Saturday mornings (6)
9:30 – 11:00 AM*

St. Christopher, Verona

April 11 – May 9, 2018

*Wednesday evenings (5)
7:00 – 8:30 PM*

St. Maria Goretti

Topics may include:

- ❖ The Process of Grieving
- ❖ Understanding the Emotions of Grief
- ❖ Feeling Crazy is Normal
- ❖ Finding the Hope of Our Catholic Faith
- ❖ Surviving Stress, Loneliness and Guilt
- ❖ Special Kinds of Grief / Handling Holidays
- ❖ Children and Grief
- ❖ The Spiritual Elements of Grief
- ❖ The Communion of Saints
- ❖ Making Memories...
Keeping Memories



*It is possible to create,
out of this void,
a new life.*
